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Ms. Renata Hesse
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Dear Ms. Hesse:

I am writing in support of the Microsoft settlement. The time has come for the federal government to get its spending priorities straight. Instead of wasting millions of dollars on a lawsuit that will do nothing for the consumer except make an already shaky economy worse, the time has come to end the case.

By supporting the consent decree, you will put this issue behind us and help refocus the spending priorities of this administration. Hopefully, the consumer backlash to this wasteful spending will truly cause this administration to focus its efforts on important priorities such as working men and women, programs for our nation's youth and paying down the national debt. The first step, however, is to avoid wasting the millions of dollars funneled into this lawsuit that could be better spent almost anywhere else.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Bob Handy
Director, Region 10
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